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SUBJECT: SWEDEN ELEVATES PRG INFORMATION OFFICE TO GENERAL
DELEGATION

REF:A.STOCKHOLM3592;B. STOCKHOLM 3548;

C. STOCKHOLM 3492

1. IN PRESS STATEMENT ISSUED AUGUST 22, SWEDISH FOREIGN
MINISTER SVEN ANDERSSON DECLARED THAT THE GOS HAD DECIDED TO
CHANGE THE DESIGNATION OF THE PRG INFORMATION OFFICE IN
STOCKHOLM TO THE "PRG GENERAL DELEGATION PC SWEDEN". (DELEGATION
GENERALE DU GOUVERNEMENT REVOLUTIONNAIRE PROVISoire DE LA
REPUBLIQUE DU SUD VIETNAM EN SUEDE.) THE REASON FOR THIS
STEP, THE FOREIGN MINISTER SAID, IT "TO MEET THE NEEDS FOR
IMPROVED CONTACTS WITH SWEDISH AUTHORITIES RESULTING FROM
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THE COOPERATION ON AID PROJECTS". THE STATEMENT CONCLUDED

THAT THE ACTION "REPRESENTS
NO CHANGE IN THE SWEDISH VIEW
OF A RECOGNITION OF THE PRG".

2. THE HEAD OF THE "GENERAL DELEGATION", TRAN HIEU
KHA, WAS QUOTED IN THE SWEDISH PRESS AS EXPRESSING
DISAPPOINTMENT THAT HIS "GOVERNMENT" WAS NOT ACCORDED FULL
RECOGNITION. HOWEVER, HE ADDED THAT THE MOVE TO ENHANCE
THE STATUS OF THE PRG REPRESENTATION WAS "A STEP IN THE
RIGHT DIRECTION".

3. COMMENT: THE FOREIGN MINISTER'S ANNOUNCEMENT THUS
MAKES OFFICIAL THE GOS DECISION TO ENHANCE THE STATUS OF
THE PRG, AS SECRETARY GENERAL ASTROM HAD TOLD ME LAST WEEK
(REF A) AND AS OTHER MFA OFFICIALS HAD INFORMED MEMBERS OF
MY STAFF ON EARLIER OCCASIONS (REFS B AND C). HOWEVER, AS
ASTROM HAD MADE CLEAR TO ME, THE GOS HAS AGAIN REAFFIRMED
THAT THE UPGRADING OF THE PRG'S STATUS DOES NOT IMPLY A
CHANGE IN THE GOS DECISION NOT TO RECOGNIZE THE PRG.
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